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For: Fuel Container Having Excellent Gasoline . . .

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Respectfully submitted,

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Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows.

4. (Amended) The fuel container as claimed in claim 1, wherein the barrier resin (A) is a resin composition comprising from 50 to 95% by weight of an ethylene-vinyl alcohol copolymer and from 5 to 50% by weight of a boronic acid-modified polyolefin.

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